



Docket No.: 1075.1251

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Hiroki OOI, et al.

Serial No. 10/781,783

Group Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No. 4549

Filed: February 20, 2004

Examiner: David S. Kim

For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING OPTICAL REPEATING TRANSMISSION  
METHOD AND REPEATING APPARATUS

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2008, and having a period for response set to expire on March 19, 2009. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to April 19, 2009, which being a Sunday renders this response timely file on Monday, April 20, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.